

going to spend more time and energy, more of our resources, more of our money on trying to figure out what we do about domestic violence, about child abuse, about poverty, about child care, about inaccessible health care, all of the circumstances that contribute to women seeing abortion as their only option. I would remind you that Senator Bernard-Stevens' amendment does not eliminate the discussion about the 24-hour waiting period, or the informed consent. It simply says let's wait until we get a ruling from the Supreme Court, let's, in the mean time, do some other things under Senator Hillman's amendment and I hope under mine to push ourselves to begin to have a discussion that focuses less on regulation and control over women, and more on establishing the kinds of support systems that will truly make a difference in reducing the incidence of abortion. I urge you to give thoughtful consideration to supporting this amendment as well as Senator Bernard-Stevens'. It could be a very significant step in a different direction and what I believe is a right direction for us to go in addressing this issue.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Rasmussen. I will remind the senators, the house is under call. We will now vote on the Rasmussen amendment to the Bernard-Stevens amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of the amendment to the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment to the amendment is adopted. I will raise the call.

CLERK: Madam President, Senators Lindsay and Landis would move to amend the Bernard-Stevens amendment. (Lindsay-Landis amendment appears on page 1877 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President. What the amendment does is strikes all of the Bernard-Stevens amendment, except for the Hillman-Rasmussen amendments and the Rasmussen amendment. It would adopt those two policy statements. And, granted, it is somewhat of a gesture because the bill isn't going to pass, or likely isn't going to pass. But it should...we should give our indication in this body that there are, as Senator Rasmussen suggested, alternative methods, my